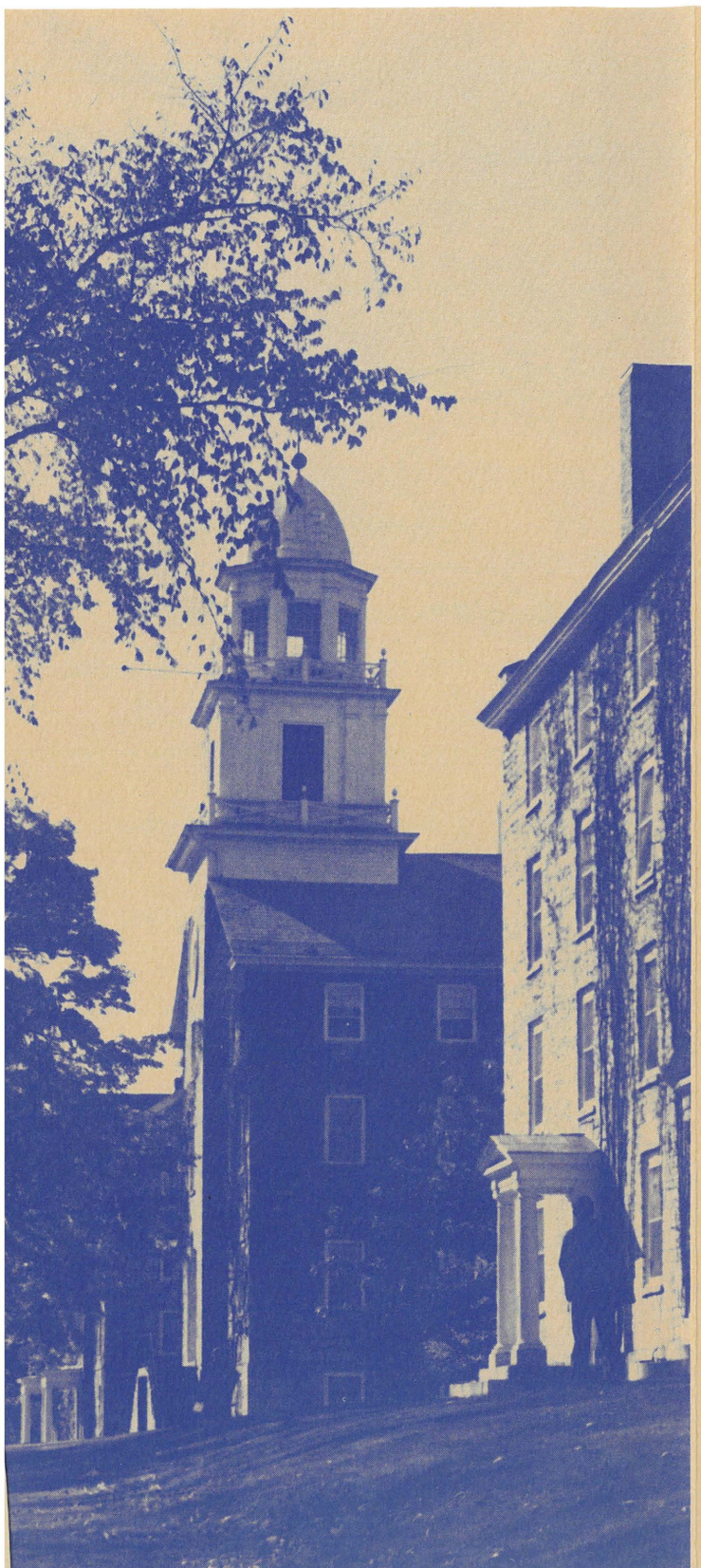

The New 1979
Alumni College Seminar!

MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE
MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753

Non-Profit Organization
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Middlebury, Vt.
Permit No. 43

SMLT Graphic 3204

Announcing the Inauguration of

Middlebury's Fall Alumni College Seminar

Reserve
September 27-30, 1979
for the Inauguration of

Middlebury's Fall Alumni College Seminar

In 1976 Middlebury College, in response to the wishes of its alumni, initiated the Alumni College. Held on Labor Day weekend, this annual event has become important to our alumni and the demand is now surpassing available space. Therefore, we are pleased to announce the inauguration of two additional Alumni College Seminars, to be held September 27-30, 1979 and June 8-14, 1980 (immediately following reunions).

We hope you can be with us for this very special combination of academic distinction and intellectual challenge.

Classes will be held at the new John and Barbara Kirk Alumni House Conference Center. Participants will be housed on the Bread Loaf Campus.

The American Dream: Literary Views of the "Good Life"

with Professors John McWilliams and Stephen Donadio

The first part of the seminar will consider the various ways in which authors since the Enlightenment have imagined the "good life" attainable by presumably all Americans. Major writers to be discussed include Tocqueville, Franklin, Melville, Dos Passos, Fitzgerald, and Mailer. The second part will study the moral commitments signified by these views of the "good life" in America. The national consequences and personal experiences of Crèvecoeur, Emerson, Thoreau, and Whitman will be emphasized. The seminar will attempt to determine whether these literary views of the "good life" are still true or even realizable today.

The Politics and Economics of Inflation

with Professors Michael Claudon and David Rosenberg

Today, the United States and almost all other countries of the world are struggling to control the steadily worsening problem of inflation. Political and economic leaders agree that controlling inflation poses a problem of the highest priority and that if inflation is not controlled, it would threaten the very foundations of society. But they do not agree on how it can be controlled. This seminar will examine the major political and economic arguments concerning the causes of and possible cures for inflation. Emphasis will be placed on understanding the historical roots of the problem of inflation as well as the implications for public policy in its broadest aspects.

The cost is $150 for each adult. This covers nine meals, lodging for three nights, class instruction, books and most recreation. Payment in full is due by August 20, 1979.

Classes will be held at the John and Barbara Kirk Alumni House Conference Center. Participants will be housed at the Bread Loaf Campus. In most instances afternoons will be free.

Opportunities will be available for tennis, swimming, hiking and golf (reasonable greens fees). Unfortunately we are not able to offer child care.

If you wish to attend the Fall Alumni College Seminar please complete the attached reservation form and return it with your check by August 20, 1979 to the Alumni Office, P.O. Box 500, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753.

Middlebury Fall Alumni College Seminar September 27-30, 1979

Yes — I am interested in attending the September 27-30 Alumni College Seminar.
Please reserve ( ) place(s) for me ( ) and my spouse ( ). Enclosed is my check ($150 per person).

Make check payable to Middlebury College.

Name _____ Class_____

Alumna ( ), Alumnus ( ), Parent ( ), Other ( )

Address_____

_____

Spouse's Name_____

I ( ), We ( ) am/are interested in the following topic:

- ☐ **The American Dream**
- ☐ **The Politics and Economics of Inflation**

If my first choice is filled I am interested in the second choice. Yes_____. No_____.

No _____ I cannot attend the Fall Alumni College Seminar, but I would like to have information about the Spring Seminar scheduled for June 8-11, 1980 (following reunions).